

IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Please cancel claims 1-12.~~

~~Please add the following new claims:~~

--13. (New) A system for accessing, over a wide area network, multimedia equipment for reproducing multimedia information recorded on data storage media, comprising:

generating means for generating a list of contents of multimedia information recorded on data storage media of a first user at a first equipment location, said list of contents being transferred via said wide area network to a second user at a second equipment location, said second user modifying the generated list of contents by selecting items from said list of contents and rearranging the selected items to produce a rearranged list of contents;

converting means for converting the rearranged list of contents to at least one command for controlling the multimedia equipment; and

controlling means for controlling the multimedia equipment based on said one command, wherein the multimedia information recorded on the first user's storage media is reproduced on the multimedia equipment based on the rearranged list of contents.--

--14. (New) The system according to claim 13, further comprising a server for providing a user interface for requesting the list of contents to be modified, said server operative to transfer the list of contents over the wide area network to the second user at the second equipment location.--

--15. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein the list of contents is generated on the basis of data uniquely identifying the contents of each data storage medium in the data storage media.--

--16. (New) The system according to claim 13, further comprising a server operative to transmit the generated list of contents to the second user, receive the rearranged list from the second user, form a command script file based on the rearranged list, and transmit the command script file to the multimedia equipment of the first user which parses the command script file to obtain a series of control commands to control the multimedia equipment.--

--17. (New) A method for accessing, over a wide area network, multimedia equipment for reproducing multimedia information recorded on data storage media, said method comprising the steps of:

generating a list of contents of multimedia information recorded on data storage media of a first user;

transferring said list of contents via said wide area network to a second user who modifies the generated list of contents by selecting items from said list of contents and rearranging the selected items to produce a rearranged list of contents;

converting the rearranged list of contents to at least one command for controlling the multimedia equipment; and

controlling the multimedia equipment based on said one command, wherein the

multimedia information recorded on the first user's storage media is reproduced on the multimedia equipment based on the rearranged list of contents.--

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--18. (New) The method according to claim 17, further comprising the step of providing, by a server, a user interface for requesting the list of contents to be modified, and the server transferring the list of contents over the wide area network to the second user at the second equipment location.--

--19. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the list of contents is generated on the basis of data uniquely identifying the contents of each data storage medium in the data storage media.--

--20. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the step of converting the rearranged list to at least one command for controlling the multimedia equipment is performed at least in part by a server, said server receiving the rearranged list from the second user, forming a command script file based on the rearranged list, and transmitting the command script file to the multimedia equipment of the first user which parses the command script file to obtain a series of control commands to control the multimedia equipment.--